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TECHNOLOGY FOR RURAL INDUSTRIALISATION .
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) The measures being taken by the Government for providing technology to rural industry for rural development;

(b)hether technology is being applied to provide information to the rural industries also;

(c) If so, the manner in which it is being applied; and

(d) The number of beneficiaries by application of such technology?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RUAL DEVELOPMENT(SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

(a) to (c) The Ministry of Rural Development is implementing Swaranjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana(SGSY) as a major Self Employment Programme in rural India w.e.f. April, 1999. The SGSY is a holistic programme. The objective of the SGSY is to bring the assisted poor families (Swarozgaris) above the poverty line by organizing them into Self Help Groups through the process of social mobilization, their training and capacity building and provision of income-generating assets through a mix of Bank Credit and government subsidy. The effort under SGSY is to ensure the development of sustainable micro- enterprises. The technology identified for each key activity should be such that it can be managed comfortably by the swarozgari and at the same time leads to development of a quality product, either in terms of goods / services. For each key activity it is necessary to have an institution capable of transmitting technology ensuring skill upgradation and monitoring the performance in terms of the quality of output as well as the recovery. The choice of such agency can vary depending on local situation. They can be the line departments themselves or any of the technical institutions such as Engineering Colleges, Research Institutes, Polytechnics, ITIs, having competence in the relevant field or an NGO having the necessary competence. In addition, Ministry of Textiles and Ministry of Agro & Rural Industries is also implementing various schemes which provide technology to rural industries for rural development.

(d) The details of number of beneficiaries trained / skill-upgraded scheme-wise is given below:

S. No.	Name of the Scheme	Beneficiaries during 2005-06 (Nos.)
1	Swaranjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana(SGSY)	1820551
2	Deen Dayal Hathkargha Protsahan Yojana	46,566
3	Integrated Handloom Training Project	13,000
4	Handloom Export Scheme	480
5	Design & Technology Upgradation Scheme	40,274
6	Baba Saheb Ambedkar Hastshilp Vikas Yojana	14,000(Provisional)

During the last three years.